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APPLICANTS

: Michael Simons & Youhe Gao

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: "METHOD FOR THE PR-39 PEPTIC REGULATED STIMULATION OF

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EXAMINERS

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Applicants, by and through their undersigned attorney respectfully request a three month extension of time in order to respond properly to the outstanding non-final Official Action mailed November 14th, 2002 for the above-identified application. The period for response will now be extended from February 14th, 2003 through May 14th, 2003. In view of applicants' status as a Small Entity, enclosed please find a check in the amount of four hundred sixty five (\$465.00) dollars in payment of the requisite fees [FY 2003] for this Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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